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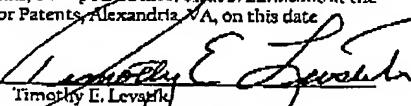
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Appln. No.: 10/826,709)
 Filed: April 16, 2004)
 First Named Inventor: Gaonkar et al.)
 Title: Multilayer Edible Moisture Barrier for Food Products)
 Art Unit: 1761)
 Examiner: Kuhns, Sarah L.)
 _____)
 Attorney Docket No.: 77046)
 Customer No.: 22242)
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Confirmation No. 1774

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that this paper is being faxed to Examiner Sarah Louise Kuhns, Group Art Unit 1761, Dat 571273.8300 at the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA, on this date.

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Date

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

a. Previously submitted:

- Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____
- Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- Other: _____

b. Enclosed:

- Amendment/Reply
- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- Other: _____

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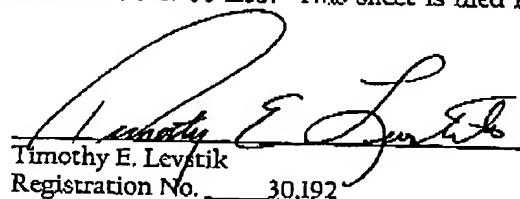
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2. Additional Items:

- Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- A petition for extension of time is enclosed.
- A return receipt postcard is enclosed.
- Other:
 - Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.27).
 - RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) without a claim of small entity status is: \$790.00.
 - RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) by an entity claiming small entity status is: _____.
 - A check in the amount of \$____ is enclosed.
 - Charge \$790.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.
 - The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. This sheet is filed in duplicate.

January 9, 2006
Date


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